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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the education requirements for licensed
2 massage therapists.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 152C.3, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
2 Supplement 2011, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. Completion of a curriculum of massage education at a
4 school approved by the board which requires for admission a
5 diploma from an accredited high school or the equivalent and
6 ~~requires completion of at least six hundred hours of supervised~~
7 ~~academic instruction. However, educational requirements under~~
8 ~~this paragraph are subject to reduction by the board if, after~~
9 ~~public notice and hearing, the board determines that the~~
10 ~~welfare of the public may be adequately protected with fewer~~
11 ~~hours of education.~~

12 EXPLANATION

13 In order to be licensed under current law, a massage
14 therapist must complete a massage education curriculum at a
15 school approved by the board of massage therapy requiring at
16 least 600 hours of supervised academic instruction. This bill
17 eliminates the 600-hour requirement.